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Re OU2 (Woman Creek) Proposed
IM/IRA Decision Document

Dear Mr Lockhart

EPA and CDH have reviewed the subject document as submitted 02 October 1991. As we have made clear in previous correspondence, EPA and CDH cannot support the recommendation for no action this document contains.

Pending the outcome of ongoing staff efforts to formulate a mutually agreeable action, the scheduled release of this document for public comment (15 October 1991) must be delayed. Based on the 09 October 1991 meeting of EPA, CDH, and EG&G staff, a reasonable delay is warranted, since there appears to be an excellent chance of preparing an action plan all parties can actively support.

However, we do not intend to see this process extend indefinitely. The next meeting of our staffs is scheduled for 30 October 1991. We anticipate your bringing a detailed outline of the new Decision Document, and a proposed schedule. If no agreement can be reached at that session on the IM/IRA scope and schedule, EPA and CDH anticipate exercising our right (under the IAG terms) to direct that a suitable action be advanced for public comment in a reasonable amount of time. Assuming an agreeable outline of contents and date for resubmittal of the decision document can be identified, subsequent dates in the sequence of milestones for this action will be extended by a corresponding interval.

If you have any question or would like to discuss the progress of this effort, please contact Bill Fraser (EPA) at 294-1081, or Joe Schieffelin (CDH) at 331-4421.

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Sincerely,

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